REMARKS

The Office Action in the above-referenced application has been received and reviewed.

Claims 1-50 are currently pending in the above-referenced application and are subject to a restriction requirement.

Restriction Requirement

The Office has identified three groups of claims in the above-referenced application:

Group I – claims 1-14 and 43-48, drawn to a mold gate for a tape substrate and method of forming thereof, classified in class 257, subclass 678;

Group II – claims 15-42, drawn to a method of making a mold gate for a tape substrate classified in class 438, subclass 106; and

Group III –claims 49 and 50, drawn to an apparatus for degating a packaged semiconductor device that includes a tape substrate, classified in class 264, subclass 272.15.

An election is hereby made, without traverse, to prosecute claims 15-42 of Group II.

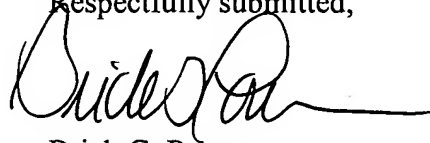## Information Disclosure Statement

Please note that an Information Disclosure Statement was filed in the above-referenced application on February 27, 2004, but that the undersigned attorney has not yet received any indication that the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement have been considered in the above-referenced application. It is respectfully requested that the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement of February 27, 2004, be considered and made of record in the above-referenced application and that an initialed copy of the Form PTO/SB/08A that accompanied that Information Disclosure Statement be returned to the undersigned attorney as evidence of such consideration.

If any of the documents or any portion thereof is not available to the Office, the undersigned attorney would be happy to supply a copy thereof to the Office.

An early and favorable action on the merits of claims 15-42 is respectfully solicited.

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